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**THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, [13]**

**BIRTH.**

At H.B.M. Legation, Peking, on the 29th November, the wife of J. N. JORDAN, Acting Chinese Secretary, of a son.

**DEATH.**

At Wuhu, on the 7th December (suddenly), S. HEMMER, aged 47 years.

**The Hongkong Telegraph**

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1889.

**TELEGRAMS.**

**SLAVERY.**

LONDON, December 3rd.

The International Conference on slavery now sitting in Brussels has discussed a proposal for the establishment of stations in the interior of Africa with sufficient force to overcome the slave hunters.

**MR. GLADSTONE ON TURKEY.**

December 3rd.

Speaking at an assembly of the National Liberal Federation at Manchester, Mr. Gladstone recalled the overthrow of the Conservative Government in 1886 on the question of the war of sympathy with the sufferings of the Bulgarian people. He said that owing to the march of events in Crete and Armenia the time has again come for the opposition to watch vigilantly as they did between 1876 and 1880; that Turkish doings in Armenia urgently demand the attention of the British people, and that he hoped the Government would not accept the customary Turkish apologies and evasions. Mr. Gladstone ended by endorsing the Radical programme.

**STANLEY AND EMIN.**

December 4th.

Stanley and Emin have reached Major Wissmann's Caravan.

December 5th.

Stanley and Emin have arrived at Bagamoyo.

**NETHERLANDS INDIA.**

THE HAGUE, December 5th.

The second chamber has passed the East India Budget, excepting the credits for the gymnasium at Batavia, and for the cable between Macassar and Banjermassing.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

H.M.S. Swift arrived at Chikling on the 7th inst., and left on the 9th for Hankow.

The Singapore Tramways were sold on the 5th inst., for \$186,000—\$66,000 above the upset price.

ACCORDING to the Chinese Board of Revenue, the annual returns derived from Lohin, the Salt and Land taxes, aggregate tails 78,000,000.

AN Emergency meeting of St. John Lodge, No. 618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

A SPECIAL collection of Fine Art Pictures, comprising Landscapes, well-known Home Scenes, &c. in Oil, is now on view at The Hall & Holtz, C. Co., Limited. Prices are exceptionally moderate, and the pictures would make eminently useful and acceptable Xmas Presents.—Advt.

THE Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Prometheus*, from Liverpool, left Singapore yesterday morning for this port, and is due on the 18th inst.

CARLOS I, the new King of Portugal, is said to have a variety of tastes. He likes military affairs, is an art critic, and a good Latin scholar.

YOUNG Husband (reproachfully)—You never told me you had been married before. Young Wife—No, dear, because he only lived three months.

The entertainment which the Ruchwald family were to have given in the Theatre, City Hall, to-morrow night, has been postponed until Tuesday evening.

A MARINE Court will assemble at the Harbour Office to-morrow, to enquire into the circumstances connected with the loss of the British ship *Nylghau*.

A MAN in a Milwaukee court, when asked if he could testify to the veracity of a neighbor, replied: "Well, I would believe him if I knew what he was saying to be true."

In the great Prussian Field Marshal's own immediate branch of the Moltke family there have been eight Ministers of State, four Generals, and one Admiral, all in the Danish service.

THERE are less than half a million Jews in France, yet the Prefects of sixty-two out of the eighty-four departments are of the Jewish faith. The fact was recently made public and created a grave sensation.

THE French mail despatched by the M. M. Steamer *Natal* was delivered in London on the 3rd inst. The *Natal* was detained at Singapore three days, repairing the damages sustained in the typhoon.

THE Russian ukase forbidding female telegraphists has been revoked, and now they may marry "any man of respectable ability," after having obtained official permission.

CREMATION is coming more and more into vogue in Germany, in spite of the expense and certain legal difficulties, which render its performance in some parts almost an impossibility. At Gotha no fewer than 100 bodies have been cremated during the present year.

OUR Shanghai morning contemporary tells us that the steamer *Peking* has taken some gruesome cargo to the South this trip. Among her freight are fifty-eight coffins with corpses, and thirty-one large boxes, each of which contains four small boxes of skeletons and human bones.

A MIRACLE Explained.—Mrs. D. and her husband fell down the cellar-stairs with bottles of wine and didn't break a single one of them. Visitor—Wonderful! Miraculous! Mrs. D.—Well, no, it's not so wonderful after all. The five bottles of wine were on the inside. He drank them before he fell down the stairs.

"BUT you are surely mad! How can you think of borrowing money on these terms, and from people of that stamp?" said the learned counsel. "My dear fellow," replied his client, who had "got left" in Puntjoms, "better go to a scamp who lends you money at fifteen per cent than to an honest man who refuses you at five!"

THE *N. C. Daily News* of the 10th inst. says:—"We are told that owing to a mirage on Saturday morning people on board a steamer at a spot from which Gutzlaff bore South twenty-three miles could distinctly see the natives at Yangtze Cape, twenty miles distant, walking along the shore or fishing with nets at the water's edge."

In Great Britain about 10,000,000 more tons of coal, iron and other minerals were mined last year than in 1887 and employed 10,000 more men in the work, but fewer lives were lost in the process. The total number of fatal accidents was 895 and of deaths occasioned thereby 960, being an increase of 4 in the accidents, but a decrease of 91 in the lives lost.

The common soldiers of the Continental armies are not paid exorbitant salaries, as may be learned from the fact, that after great deliberation it has been decided to advance the pay of the French privates after October 1st, to 27 centimes per day, or a little over 5 cents. This advance is hailed with joy by the soldiers. What their stipend has been in the past is not stated.

POOR Samuel White, of Ohio! He was in penitentiary for life, and the Governor pardoned him on condition that he should not take another drink. He kept the faith for eighteen years, but when his daughter got married the other day he began to celebrate and looked upon the wine when it was served and various other colors, and therefore has been taken back to serve his life sentence in prison.

BRUXELLES is an uncomfortable country for embezzlers. A cashier employed by the city of Ghent who embezzled 163,000 fr. of the municipal cash has just caught it very hot indeed. He has been sentenced to forty years imprisonment, and five years police supervision to follow, has been fined 8,450 fr. ordered to restore the entire sum he has embezzled, and will, in addition, lose all his civil rights.

THE Military Mummies were in good form at their show in the Garrison Theatre, last night, and there was a correspondingly large attendance. Byron's farcical comedy *Uncle* and William's farce *Turn Him Out* making up the entertainment. The comedy was well well mounted and well acted. *Uncle* will be performed to-morrow night, preceded by *Borrowed Plumes*. The Colonel Commanding has signified his intention of being present.

JUSTICE lends a very wide-open ear to some faulty defences, occasionally. The other day, for instance, an ex-convict saw some men unloading bags of sugar from a junk at West Point, and, suspecting them, followed them to their haunt of vice, and got them arrested. They were found to have fifty dollars' worth of the stuff, which resembled the product of the Talkeo Refinery, around which place one of the men was known to around a good deal. Yet because the "first robber" said he bought it from an unknown owner, at sea, one night, Mr. Woodhouse dismissed the case to-day. "Bought on a night at sea," should be a popular "gag" among the fraternity in future.

IT is terrible to learn that eau-de-Cologne alcoholism is now a recognized disease in Germany and France—chiefly among women, and women, of course, of the higher classes. A woman who ultimately becomes a slave to the habit, usually begins by taking a few drops of the spirit when she happens to feel a little faint. She increases the dose whenever she returns to it, and in time takes the stuff by the wine-glass. It is especially consumed by morphine and cocaine victims; for they find that eau-de-Cologne is to some extent a substitute for the drug which they know too well is slowly killing them. The remedy, however, is as bad as the evil. Eau-de-Cologne alcoholism is one of the worst forms of the disease. It involves sleeplessness and delirium tremens of a less easily curable character than the sleeplessness and delirium tremens that are brought about by overdosing in brandy or any other spirit; for not only is it made of impure and immature alcohol, but also it contains essential oils, which even in small quantities are poisonous.

THERE will be a game of polo on the Race-course to-morrow, at 3.45 p.m.

CHANG Chih-tung was requested by the Shanghai press to grant their representative an interview. The "old man eloquent" declined—he had too many private engagements. Viceroys Chang wants a lot of beating when he means business.

THE charm of hanging up alleged "Club Rules," in gambling-houses to outwit the police, has quite lost its potency. Hercules Hennessy tramped ponderously into No. 13 East Street yesterday, and raked in the three principals. They got six months each, to-day.

THE *Strait Times* believes that it is practically a certainty that a Straits Settlements cricket eleven will come to Hongkong in January to play a match with a picked team of this Colony. If the arrangement does not miscarry the Straits team will probably leave on the 19th January.

A GOOD deal of powder has been wasted in the harbour to-day saluting something, or somebody, or nobody—but anyhow, blowing away money in smoke and making a beastly row about nothing. A local ordinance prohibiting this idiotic practice in Hongkong harbour would make the reputation of any one of our unofficial legislators. [N.B.—No extra charge for this suggestion.—Ed.]

THE new city of Johannesburg, in the South African gold region, is attracting attention, and there are those who predict for it a phenomenal future. They promise 1,000,000 inhabitants in five years, an output of gold which shall gladden the whole world, a commercial importance threatening the established trade centers of the Old World, and a political and social position second to no city in Africa, north or south.

At the Legislative Council meeting to-morrow the order of the day will be:

Mr. MacEwen, pursuant to notice, will move—

That the Report of the Committee on the question of official salaries be laid on the table.

Reports on the Finance Committee (Nos. 12 and 13)

Committee on the Appropriation Bill, 1890.

ONK time, on the Texas frontier, a man came into camp riding on an old mule. "How much for the mule?" asked a bystander. "Just a hundred dollars," answered the driver. "I'll give you five dollars," said the other. The driver stopped short, as if in amazement, and then slowly dismounted. "Stranger," said he, "I ain't a-going to let a little matter of ninety-five dollars stand between me and a mule trade. The mule's yours."

Thinking correspondent of the *Shanghai* writes, on the 8th inst. says:—"You will regret to hear of the death of Mr. S. Hemmer, which occurred at Wuhu on the 7th inst. His remains were brought here by the steamer *Yuenso*, and the funeral took place to-day, when nearly all the foreign community attended. The deceased gentleman was one of the oldest residents of Wuhu, and was agent there for Mr. Geo. McBain. He leaves a widow and one child to mourn his loss."

IT may be interesting to those awe-struck individuals who imagine, when they see H.M.S. *Impetuous* signalling to H.M. *ditto Porpoise*, that it means "Prepare for action," to know that occasionally all this outward circumstance sometimes means something quite low-down. For instance, yesterday one of the ship-scrapers engaged in whitewashing the *Cordelia* felt cold and stole a stoker's shirt. It was missed by and by, and up went the flag to ask the *Victor Emanuel* to be so good and kind as to find it. A corporal came off, searched everybody in the upper regions, and spotted the secretive scraper. He is in gaol now for a month.

We read that the Duchess of Edinburgh's income is about a third less than it used to be. Her dowry was arranged to be invested in Russia, and interest was to be paid by the Emperor. Now Alexander III. has reduced the incomes of all the Grand Dukes and Duchesses, and even that of the Empress. Added to this, the trouble—the Russian merchants say owing to Prince Elsmarck, but more probably from commercial and financial reasons—is of less value than it was in 1874, and there is a rule that the Grand Dukes and Duchesses may be deprived of half their incomes unless they spend half the year in Russia. It is well known that the Duchess has not conformed to this rule since her father's murder in 1881.

**SUPREME COURT.**

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. A. G. Wills, Acting Puisne Judge.)

**ACTION FOR ILLEGAL IMPRISONMENT.**

In the case of *Lamm v. Widdows*, set out below, in which Mr. Phillips, instructed by Mr. Webster, was present on plaintiff's behalf.

Mr. Stokes, who appeared for the defendant, Mr. H. E. Woodhouse, Police Magistrate, applied *ex parte* that the petition be dismissed, on the ground that, even supposing the allegations were admitted, there was no ground of action against the defendant. He then read the plaintiff's petition, which was as follows:—

1.—The plaintiff is an architect and surveyor residing at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, formerly an assistant with E. H. Buchanan, Mayor of Ballarat, Australia.

2.—The defendant is one of the Police Magistrates for Victoria, Hongkong, aforesaid, & resides at the Peak.

3.—The plaintiff arrived in this Colony on or about the 18th day of May, 1889, in the steamer *Changsha*, and was on the said ship arrested by the defendant upon the information of the Chief Superintendent of Police charging the plaintiff with larceny of \$2,000 within the jurisdiction of the Government of Victoria, Australia.

4.—The plaintiff upon being so arrested was taken by the constable some distance through the main street on foot to the Police Station, and he was there detained in a cell till one o'clock, when he was taken to the Hongkong Police Court, and a charge of being one Arthur Edward Bold Hornbuckle, a bank clerk, and with having absconded from Melbourne, Australia, with \$2,200, made against the plaintiff. The defendant remanded the case until the 25th day of May, 1889.

5.—On or about the 19th of May last the plaintiff's solicitor having received instructions to defend the plaintiff thereupon caused enquiries to be made and found that a mistake had been made in arresting the plaintiff.

6.—On or about the 20th, the plaintiff's solicitor applied to the defendant to release the defendant and called upon the hearing of the application before the defendant, the Chief Superintendent of Police, who stated in Court to the defendant that the plaintiff did not correspond with the description given in a telegram received from Melbourne. The constable also corroborated the Captain Superintendent of Police in this fact, but the defendant refused to discharge the plaintiff and ordered the plaintiff to be conveyed to Victoria Gaol and there safely kept until the 25th day of May, 1889.

7.—The plaintiff, upon the motion of John Joseph Francis, Q.C., moved the Honorable

The Supreme Court on the 20th day of May, 1889, for a writ of *Habeas Corpus* to bring the said plaintiff before the Supreme Court, and the said Honorable Chief Justice commanded the keeper of Victoria Gaol to bring before the Honorable Fielding Clarke, Acting Chief Justice, on Tuesday, the 21st day of May, 1889, the body of the plaintiff.

8.—On the 21st day of May, 1889, the body of plaintiff was brought in custody to the Supreme Court, and there the Acting Chief Justice discharged the plaintiff upon the ground of the insufficiency of the information to lead to the arrest of the plaintiff.

9.—In consequence of being so taken into custody the plaintiff suffered imprisonment, annoyance and disgrace, and loss of time.

The plaintiff claims \$1,000 damages and the costs of this action.

J. FERDINAND LEMM, Plaintiff.

His Lordship fixed the hearing of the case for the 5th January.

**BRANDT.**

We shall really have to get this name stereotyped if this sort of thing goes on. Here is to-day's record, at the Summary Court, before Mr. Justice Wise.

WEDDER v. BRANDT.

In this matter the plaintiff claims \$1,000 from Brandt for slander.

Brandt inquired what was being done. He understood that the previous Friday his Lordship made an order on him to file an answer within seven days.

Mr. Roddy—The plaintiff filed his pleadings last Saturday.

His Lordship—It will come on next Friday's list, for a day to be fixed.

H. AND J. SAMPSON v. BRANDT.

This was a claim for \$150 for brokerage on 300 Sugar shares, who appeared for the plaintiffs, said that the case was mentioned last Friday when the defendant applied for a postponement in order to get Mr. J. Sampson's evidence. His Lordship therefore ordered him to file an affidavit that Mr. Sampson would return shortly.

His Lordship—Yes, an affidavit showing the probability of his return within a reasonable time.

Brandt—What are you going to do? You can't go on without this man. I have just got an affidavit showing that he will not return before twelve months, but he informed me himself that he was only going home for the benefit of his health.

His Lordship—But he was very unwell when he went away. What do you want me to do—put it off for twelve months?

Brandt—Yes, or give me a commission for his evidence. I can't go on without it.

His Lordship—I will postpone the case for a week, and you may consider whether you will have a commission home. If not, we will go on with the case.

Mr. Callwell—I don't know how it will affect the case, but I have it in writing from Brandt that he admits this.

Brand—I don't, I deny it.

His Lordship—That is not before me to-day.

**THE CHINESE CONFIDENCE TRICK.**

A touching tale was narrated to Mr. Woodhouse in the Police Court yesterday afternoon, by a half-caste dandy who was prosecuting a rather decent looking, well-dressed Chinaman for beguiling her out of \$200 and a lot of jewelry. The lady is a *femme entremetteuse*, whom a gentleman in one of our Banks maintained in luxury at No. 13 Old Bailey Street. Sometime in September last the rather decent-looking individual referred to above called at her house and insisted on displacing her as mistress, representing himself as a comrade newly arrived from Shanghai, with no end of influential connections at Canton, including a mandarin. She was coy for a while, but as he kicked out a sweetheart whom she found for him, and renewed his suit, she consented at last, "since he was so fond of her." She thereupon gave the Bank man the mitten, and her new lover installed himself, promising to redeem her from the procurer who owned her, and make her his second wife, and give her everything she wanted generally, including \$2,000 of the Chinese New Year for pin money. He was a regular Monte Cristo, according to his own representations, having deposited a pile of gold dollars with a head Chinaman at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, as security for the loan of a mere \$250. A few days after installing himself he was "just short of \$50," and borrowed it. Next day he accepted \$40 more in a lordly way, and when she asked him for it back, said that he had just sent \$10,000 worth of merchandise to Siam, and was hard up until it arrived and he could draw against it. He let her have the money and when his predecessor sent up the customary fifty dollars to the lady. He took \$35 out of the amount, "until to-morrow," when he was going to receive some \$6,000. Thenceforward until November, he stayed her off on the plea that he could not get his gold from the Bank because his friend the procurer was away in Shanghai. One day in November, however, he came in jubilantly, and said that the procurer had returned, and now was the time to get so much money that she could roll in it; she should have at least six thousand dollars. He even went so far as to suggest that she should go down and draw it herself, but, as a sort of after-thought, added that perhaps he had better go himself, seeing the amount he had to get. Then he recollected that it was no use going that day, as the safe was only open on Thursdays, and the Bank might not like to have their treasury so tremendously depleted on an off-day. Thursday came, and he spent breakfast-time in exultation on the way he intended dazzling her when he got back. Then he borrowed another \$35, keeping up the comedy so well that he got her to pawn some beads and give him the rest of her ornaments. Still she distrusted him, and he only got away on his most solemn assurance that he would fetch everything back, along with the rest of his wealth, by six o'clock. He said, in effect, "Is my finger wet? Is it dry?" then—"I see. If it is dry, let me see it by six o'clock, and I will let you know, and then he went off to Canton, from whence he wrote a letter not yet translated. He returned last week, chock-full of brand-new bills. "Where is my money?" were her first words, but he was prepared for that. He told her that his brother, a mandarin, had been very busy catching robbers and trying them—so busy, in fact, that he had turned a few of them over to him (the gay deceiver) to try his hand on. Under the circumstances, therefore, she could hardly expect him to bother about money. Then he asked her for another loan, but she was adamant. Next day she got \$10, and he mentioned that he was just wanting seven, and he even went so far as to try and find her pocket when she refused to lend it lovingly. Masculine-like, he failed, and went away wearing. Next day he assumed a defiant attitude when she talked about being repaid, and threatened to get a lot of shopkeepers to sign a petition to put her in gaol for an indefinite period if she didn't dry up. It would only cost a matter of \$5,000 to do. Then he slapped her face, pulled her younger's pigtail, and quit. On Tuesday last he showed up once more, but she had learnt

what a one-eyed sort of animal he was, and, well, a European constable entered the house a few minutes later to find her holding him by the scruff of the neck, whilst he "chuck-chinned" her not to give him in custody. Such was the story related to Mr. Woodhouse; the sequel will be told when the remand is up, next week.

**LATE TELEGRAMS.**

LONDON, November 16th.

The garrison of Rio de Janeiro has revolted. The Minister of Marine, in attempting to quell the rising, was killed, many other State officials being made prisoners. The insurgents proclaimed a Republic in Brazil, nominating a provisional Government, with General Fonseca as President. In the proclamation there is a guarantee of safety to the Emperor and family, now at their country place. Business in the capital paralysed. The attitude likely to be taken in the provinces is not yet known.

LISBON, November 17th.

Advices received here from Rio de Janeiro report that Senhores Constantino, Bogaquava and Fonseca actually constitute the Government, General Fonseca being the actual leader of the revolution.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 21st.

A Commission is sitting under the presidency of the Grand Vizier, to consider the question of granting an amnesty in Crete.

In consequence of the adverse decision given against a German dentist named Arneemann in the Country Court at Nottingham, he has shot Mr. Bristowe, the Judge, and wounded him dangerously. Arneemann has been arrested.

Mr. Bristowe has had his wound probed by the doctors, but they have not succeeded in extracting the bullet.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* states that Earl Euston will on Saturday apply for a fiat to criminally prosecute the editor of the *North London Press* for stating that the Earl was concerned in the revolving scandal known as the Cleveland street scandal, and that he fled the country in consequence.

A despatch from Captain Wisemann states that messengers from Stanley report that Emin and Casati are bringing three hundred Sudanese soldiers, besides many people and a quantity of ivory with them. Stanley with six Englishmen follow with two hundred and forty Zambis. The despatch states that Emin and Stanley have repeatedly fought and defeated the Mahdists, and have captured the Mahdists' grand banner. Most of Emin's soldiers refused to march southward, declaring their home lay in a northerly direction. Emin has placed two Egyptian officers in command of stations.

LONDON, November 21st.

A later despatch from Captain Wisemann states that Stanley, Emin Pacha, and party reached M'pwapwa on the 10th November, and are expected at Bagamoyo on the 1st December. Captain Wisemann has been promoted to the rank of Major in the German Army.

BERLIN, November 21st.

The Committee of the Reichstag has adopted, by a large majority, a Bill to perpetuate the Socialist law.

TEHRAN, November 21st.

The Cholera epidemic is increasing and spreading eastwards.

PARIS, November 21st.

M. Ruvier, Minister of Commerce, has proposed to resign, owing to the Government defeat over the Matches Monopoly Bill, but, yielding to the advice of M. Tirard, has deferred his final decision in the matter.

LONDON, November 22nd.



Ramases III (whose reign began 1,235 B.C.), accompanied by princes bearing screen-shaped fans. The fans were semicircular in shape, painted in brilliant colors, with long handles twisted or party-colored. They served as standards and were borne only by royal princes or men of high rank and approved bravery. Hand-screens fans made of leaves and of ostrich feathers were also in general use. In the British Museum may be seen specimens with half-yard-long wooden handles.

In India the earliest fans were of palm leaves. In Persia and among the Arabs ostrich-feather fans were in use early in the Christian era. Screen fans are mentioned as being in use in China about the same date that Ramases III was reigning in Egypt, and, as in Egypt, they were carried as standards in war. The earliest kinds, made of feathers, were royal or imperial gifts. Later on white and embroidered silk was apparently used, for we find its application to this purpose forbidden in 405 A.D. I have been employed at an anterior date, and in the early part of the Christian era, a Chinese workman, whose name is handed down as Chik-ko, was renowned for screen-shaped hand fans, which he made by beating out a sheet of gold to excessive thinness. "He then painted them with gods, with extraordinary birds, and with rare animals; varnished them and covered them with transparent sheets of mica." The fan is mentioned by Euripides, Virgil, Ovid, etc., and it is frequently to be found figured on Egyptian vases. The latter states that the earliest Greek screen fans were shaped like the plane-tree leaf. But in the fifth century, B.C., the fashion of peacock-feather fans was introduced from Asia Minor, and was readily adopted by the Greek women. A fresco at Herculaneum depicts an ostrich-feather fan. The "tabellae," mentioned by Ovid and Propertius, were hand screens of thin wood; at times these were trimmed with feathers.

But none of these screen fans, large or small, whether made of feathers, leaves, of ivory, or of gold, whether semicircular or tail-shaped, could be folded. They were either attached to long handles, like the Chinese and Egyptian fans, or to small handles for the convenience of personal use.

With the last of the Caesars the screen fan disappears from Europe, not to reappear until the time of the Crusades, when the flag-shaped fan, probably of Saracenic origin, was introduced, and continued in use in Venice, Naples and Padua.

In the meantime Christianity had transmitted the fan into an instrument of devotion. St. Jerome had named it as the emblem of chastity, and henceforth it took its place in the sanctuary, where, at the altar it served to keep flies from the chalice and the sun's rays from the celebrant. The "tabellum" thus used has come down to us in actual specimens, such as the tabellum of the Abbey of Tournus, figured in M. du Sommerard's work. The tabellum is also mentioned in many inventories, notably one of silk at Salisbury, A.D. 1214, and one in peacock's feathers at St. Paul's Cathedral, 1395.

These fans are known to have been of considerable value, worth £40 or more. The handles were of ivory or of gold, worked and jeweled. The feathers were ostrich, peacock, or some other bright plumage, and the fan hung by a slender chain from the heavier girdle then worn round the waist. This mode of hanging the fan continued fashionable to the seventeenth century.

In illuminated manuscripts of the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries may be seen flag fans similar in form to that in use in Tunis to this day, and in an inventory of Charles the Fifth of France, dated 1380, we read for the first time of "un esmouchoir rond qui se playe, en Quire, aux armes de France, et de Navarre, a manche d'ebouen." Folding screens of this shape were used until the reign of Francis the First, when they gave way to folding fans more or less of the shape we now use.

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Stalls, Carpeted Seats.....0.50  
Soldiers and Sailors in uniform—to Pit 25 Cents.

SEATS and BOXES can be reserved at **KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.**  
**ROBERT LOVE,**  
General Agent,  
Hongkong, 13th December, 1889. [1537]

**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.**

Information has been received from the Acting Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteers that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from a position immediately below North Point Battery, on SATURDAY next, the 14th instant, between the hours of 4 p.m. and 5.30 p.m.

The line of fire will be in an Easterly direction from the Battery, about 1,500 yards from the shore.

All Ships, Junks, and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command,  
**A. LISTER,**  
Acting Colonial Secretary,  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 13th December, 1889. [1573]

**THEATRE ROYAL,**  
**CITY HALL, HONGKONG.**

**TUESDAY,**  
the 17th December, 1889.

**COME and witness the talented family of**  
**PROFESSOR BERNHARDY RUCHWALDY,**  
the well-known Wizard of the East.

The King of the Hungarian "Cigany Hegedus," and Real Spiritualist and Modern "SORCERER."

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the Lady Comical Performer.

**BAMBOO FLUTE**  
"OCARINO,"  
THE MESMERIC CABINET.

**PROGRAMME.**  
PART I.  
Tour of Modern Witchcraft by means of a Seance in Marvellous Spiritualism.

1. Chosen Cards.  
The Paper Corn.  
You are of Gold.  
Light if you can.  
The Obedient Luisa.  
The Cabinet of Lect.

**INTERVAL OF 10 MINUTES.**

**PART II.**  
1. The Music Hall of Abata, Violin Solo, 5 Airs of Berlioz, by Bernhardt.

2. "Love, I will love you ever," Valse Song by Bernhardt.

3. Solo Ocarino, "Last Rose of Summer," by Mr. Rudolph.

4. Baron Fitel Grossman, by the Four Children.

5. Solo—Bamboo Flute, Pearl Valse, Bernhardt.

6. Orange Blossoms, by Mr. Rudolph.

Trío, Instrumental—Piano, Violin, Ocarino, "Avant l'Allegro."

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Hongkong, 13th December, 1889. [1572]

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**E. N. MEHTA & Co.,**  
Hongkong, 13th December, 1889. [1574]

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**HALL & HOLTZ C. CO. OPERATING LTD.**

Hongkong, 30th November, 1889. [1512]

**A VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT,**  
to be given in the Hall of the  
**CLUB LUSITANO,**  
on  
**SATURDAY,**  
the 14th instant, at 9 p.m.,  
by  
Pupils of Signor CATTANEO.

In benefit of the Orphans of the West Point Reformatory.

Director.....**MAESTRO CATTANEO.**

**PROGRAMME.**  
PART I.  
1.—Coro & March, Faust, by Gounod.....Mr. M. Guedes.

2.—L'Ardita—Waltz cantabile for mezzo-soprano, by Arditi.....Miss M. Guedes.

3.—Duetto and Quintetto finale, for soprano and mezzo-soprano, tenor, baritone and basso, Traviata, by Verdi.....Miss C. Souza.

4.—Piano solo.—Scherzo, by Chopin.....Miss I. d'Almada e Castro.

5.—Duetto for soprano and mezzo-soprano, Maria Padilla, by Donizetti.....Mrs. M. Guedes.

6.—Scena and Aria for baritone, Un Ballo in Maschera, by Verdi.....Mr. C. Grace.

7.—Grand finale and Waltz Concertato, Tutti in Maschera, by Poldini.....Miss I. d'Almada e Castro.

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**PART II.**  
1.—Aria for mezzo-soprano, with coro. Favorita, by Donizetti.....Miss I. d'Almada e Castro.

2.—Who's at my window! Ballad for soprano.....Miss C. Souza.

3.—Salve dimora. Faust, by Gounod.....Miss C. Souza.

4.—Piano solo. Op. 97 Caprice, Caccoucha, by Raff.....Miss I. d'Almada e Castro.

5.—Quintetto for soprano, mezzo-soprano, tenor, baritone, and basso, Sonnambula, by Bellini.....Miss I. d'Almada e Castro.

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## Intimations.

**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.**  
No. 505.

TENDERS will be received at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 23rd day of December, 1889, for the CONSTRUCTION of the Rubble Stone foundations to SEA WALL, SEWERS, and EMBANKMENT of Section No. 2 under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889.

For form of tender, specification, and further particulars, apply at the Surveyor General's Office.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Command,  
**A. LISTER,**  
Acting Colonial Secretary,  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1889. [1561]

**TENDERS.**  
ARE invited for SUPPLYING about 1,600 sheets of MUNTZ METAL (16 and 18 oz) for re-sheathing the vessels "CHOP-CHUNG" and "HAI-CHEONG-CHING," now at Aberdeen Docks.

Also, for the PURCHASE of the OLD METAL SHEATHING of the *Hai-cheong-ching*. Tenders to be sent not later than MONDAY next to

**R. FRASER-SMITH,**  
The Hongkong Telegraph Office,  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1889. [1560]

**THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

**EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.**

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 16th day of January, 1890, at Twelve o'clock Noon, when in accordance with the requirements of Article 66 of the Deed of Settlement of the Corporation, the Shareholders will be requested to authorize the Directors to accept an Ordinance passed by the Governor in Council of Hongkong amending the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Ordinance No. 5 of 1865.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
**G. E. NOBLE,**  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1889. [1503]

**HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.**

**THE KWON KWAN YEEN CHALLENGE CUPS.**

THE Fourth Competition for the 1st Stage will take place TO-MORROW, the 14th December, at 3.15 p.m. commencing at 300 yards.

**A. SHELTON HOOPER,**  
Hon. Secretary,  
c/o Hongkong Club,  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1889. [185]

**HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.**

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the above Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd inst. to the 1st day of January, 1890, both days inclusive.

**F. W. CROSS,**  
Manager,  
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1889. [1508]

**HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.**

GENTLEMEN desirous of playing in the Match, SCOTLAND v. THE WORLD proposed for 26th, 27th, and 28th December next, will kindly sign their names on the Notice left in the Hongkong Club and the Cricket Pavilion.

**ARTHUR K. TRAVERS,**  
Hon. Secretary,  
Hongkong, 15th November, 1889. [1424]

**CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**  
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**  
General Agents,  
Canton Insurance Office, Limited,  
Hongkong, 10th December, 1889. [1549]

**TO BE SOLD.**

THE GOODWILL, FURNITURE and FIXINGS of that well-known Establishment, known as

**THE CAMP HOTEL,**  
Situated on the Yangtze-poo Road, between the Settlement and the "Point."

It has a Southernly Frontage facing the Whangpoo River. There is a large piece of ground between the hotel and the River, but, according to the lease, nothing can be built thereon to spoil the view. The Entrance is from the Road. There is also attached to the Hotel a fine Garden, well stocked with flowers and plants, in excellent order. The house contains four rooms upstairs, and spacious verandahs facing the river and the road. On the ground-floor are two rooms, Bar and Billiard Room; there are also Kitchen, Stables and other Out-houses.

The Hotel, which is a favourite resort for foreigners, especially in the summer months, is yielding a good profit, and is in every respect a desirable investment, with the extension and development of the Yangtze-poo Road, and the steady increase of population, will turn out a profitable concern.

The present Lease expires on the 31st June, 1890.

For further particulars, apply to  
**Mrs. BASSI,**  
CAMP HOTEL,  
Shanghai, 14th November, 1889. [1514]

**TO BE LET.**

**ROOMS in "COLLIER CHAMBERS."**  
Apply to  
**DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,**  
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1889. [13]

**TO LET.**

**HOUSE No. 2, "SMITH'S VILLAS" Magazine Gap, a spacious five-roomed HOUSE, with basement and out-house, excellent view.**  
Apply to  
**F. BLACKHEAD & Co.,**  
Hongkong, 2nd July, 1889. [828]

**TO LET.**

**NO. 31 & 37, ELGIN ROAD, behind the Union Church.**  
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## Auctions.

**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
OF  
OLD CHINESE PORCELAINS, SILK EMBROIDERIES, CURIOS, &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,  
**TO-MORROW,**  
the 14th December, 1889, commencing at 2.30 P.M., sharp, at his Sale-Rooms, Duddell Street.

A very fine and large collection of OLD CHINESE PORCELAIN CURIOS, &c., &c., received from Peking and Northern Ports culled from the collections of MANDARINS, &c., and comprising some very choice specimens such as RARE OLD SANG DE BOEUF, APPLE GREEN, IMPERIAL YELLOW, TURQUOISE BLUE, FIVE COLORED VASES, JARS, PLATES, BASINS, &c., of the OLD DYNASTIES, HAWTHORN BLUES, EGG-SHELL, &c.

Also, SOOCHOW MING LACQUER, PEKIN COLOURED JADES, AGATES, &c. An exceptionally fine lot of OLD SILK EMBROIDERIES such as COURT DRESSES, PETTICOATS, DRAPERIES, HANGINGS, SLIPS, &c., and a variety of other CURIOS, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued previous to sale, and the articles will be on View on Friday next.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.  
**G. R. LAMMERT,**  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1889. [1533]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on  
**MONDAY,**  
the 16th December, 1889, at 2 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, The LIBRARY, CURIOS, and WINES, &c., belonging to the Estate of the late MR. ALEXANDER LEVY.

At the same time will be sold a collection of JAPANESE WARE, Comprising:—

KANGA, IMARI, KIOTO, SATSUMA, and TOKIO VASES, JARS, PLATES, BOWLS, INCENSE BURNERS, ENAMELLED WARE, EGG-SHELL, WARE, BRONZES, PANELS, KAKIMONOS, EMBROIDERIES and EMBROIDERED SCREENS, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.  
**J. M. ARMSTRONG,**  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1889. [1532]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. Naval Store-keeper, to Sell by Public Auction, on  
**WEDNESDAY,**  
the 18th December, 1889, at Noon, at H.M. Naval Yard, SUNDRY NAVAL and VICTUALING CONDEMNED STORES, Comprising:—

OLD IRON, PAPER STAFF, HOSES, RAGS, CANVAS, OLD CHAIN CABLE, EMPTY CASES, PROVISIONS, CLOTHING, and IMPLEMENTS, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.  
**J. M. ARMSTRONG,**  
Gov. Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1889. [1565]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

MR. H. N. MODY has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on  
**WEDNESDAY,**  
the 18th December next, at 2.15 O'CLOCK P.M., ALL THOSE VALUABLE PIECES or PARCELS OF GROUND situate at Victoria Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as Section A of Island Lot No. 174 and The Remaining Portion of the same Lot with the message thereon known as No. 37, Cairns Road.

For particulars and conditions of sale, apply to  
**WOTTON & DEACON,**  
Solicitors,  
Hongkong,  
to  
**H. N. MODY,**  
Auctioneer,  
Hongkong.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1889. [1537]

**Consignees.**

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "ARRATON AFAR" are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Codown Company's Godowns



